

**Mayor and Council  
Public Hearing Meeting Minutes  
January 11, 2022**

**PUBLIC HEARING: Public hearing to determine whether or not certain property is needed for a public purpose and whether or not to sell same and/or offer same for sale to interested persons.**

The Public Hearing began at 6:38pm. Town attorney, Ed Kuczynski informed the purpose of this Public Hearing is to hear and receive comments in determining if 317 East Main Street is still needed for public purpose and if not can it be marketed for sale. Mr. Kuczynski stated that if this Ordinance passes, the Town can market it for sale.

**Comments in favor-** None from audience. Mayor Smith spoke in favor of declaring the property surplus due to the fact that this facility is too large and will incur much debt later. Councilwoman Cabbage inquired about the tenants in the building, in which the Mayor responded that the tenants are on a month-to-month lease.

**Comments in opposition-** Ed Kuczynski read comments submitted by Mr. Ralph Salvagno in opposition

Public Hearing closed at 6:46pm.

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**PUBLIC HEARING: Public hearing to determine whether or not to amend the Charter, §87-2, Competitive bidding, by increasing the maximum expenditure before competitive bidding is required from \$5,000.00-\$15,000.00.**

The Public Hearing began at 6:46pm. Town attorney, Ed Kuczynski informed the purpose of this Public Hearing is to hear and receive comments relating to the possible Charter change that would increase the bid limit from \$5000.00 to \$15,000.

**Comments in favor-** None from the audience. Mayor Smith spoke in favor of increasing the bid limit due to economy and rising costs. Smith stated the increase would help with emergency repairs and quick purchases. Mr. Kuczynski stated the last bid limit increase occurred in 1995 and he would recommend the Town increase the limit. Councilman Lanehart confirmed with the Town attorney that all purchases would still be approved by both Mayor and Council regardless of the bid limit.

**Comments in opposition-** Ed Kuczynski read comments submitted by Mr. Ralph Salvagno in opposition.

Public Hearing closed at 6:57pm.